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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendment in the accompanying patent application:

# In the Specification:

Please insert the following header and paragraph on page 1, immediately following the title:

### -- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US00/06244, filed March 10, 2000, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/123,586, filed March 10, 1999. The provisional application is incorporated herein in its entirety.--

### In the Claims:

- 41. (Once amended) The assay of claim 1, wherein detection is automated.
- 43. (New) The assay of claim 10, wherein detection is automated.

By this amendment the specification has been changed to reflect prior related applications. The claims have been revised to remove a multiple dependency. No new matter is added by this amendment.

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